BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTINUED COSTING AND PRICING OF) DOCKET NO. UT-003013
UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS	MCLEODUSA
AND TRANSPORT AND TERMINATION	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES,
AND IKANSI OKI AND IERWINATION	INC.'S PETITION FOR LATE
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Pursuant to WAC 480-09-430(1)(b), McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. ("McLeodUSA") hereby petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in the above-entitled docket. As grounds for intervention, and as justification for its untimeliness, McLeodUSA states as follows:

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McLeodUSA has a substantial interest in the issues raised in this proceeding. As a certified competitive telecommunications carrier in the state of Washington, McLeodUSA competes with incumbent carriers, such as U S WEST, in order to provide consumers with competitive alternative telecommunications services. Therefore, McLeodUSA has a substantial and significant interest in this proceeding.

McLeodUSA respectfully requests that its intervention in this proceeding be granted after the initial pre-hearing conference pursuant to WAC 480-09-430(1)(B) and (3). McLeodUSA has good cause for late intervention in this proceeding because McLeodUSA just recently became aware of this proceeding and any decision in this proceeding may impact McLeodUSA.

McLeodUSA's appearance and participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay this proceeding. McLeodUSA will abide by the procedural schedule adopted for this case.

WHEREFORE, McLeodUSA prays for leave to intervene as a party to this proceeding. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 13th day of March, 2000.

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